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SUBJECT: JAMMING OF RFE BROADCASTS TO POLAND

REF: WARSAW 7310 (USIAC) AND PREVIOUS

1. INTRO AND SUMMARY. RFE HAS JUST RECEIVED DETAILED REPORT FROM A LISTENER WHO HAS ENGAGED IN EXTENSIVE RESEARCH THROUGHOUT POLAND ON RFE LISTENING CONDITIONS ON ALL BANDS. BELIEVE FOLLOWING SUMMARY OF THIS REPORT MAY BE OF INTEREST TO VOA TECHNICAL OFFICER HUSTON. END SUMMARY.

2. GENERAL. THERE ARE AT LEAST THREE MAJOR JAMMING STATIONS ON MEDIUM WAVE (417 METER BAND). THESE ARE LOCATED IN CITIES OF WARSAW, KATOWICE AND POZNAN. THE THREE TRANSMITTERS BROADCAST AT 417 METERS THE PROGRAM OF WARSAW II AND COVER AN AREA WITH RADIUS OF ABOUT 100 - 200 KILOMETERS AROUND POZNAN AND KATOWICE AND ABOUT 150 KILOMETERS AROUND WARSAW. AS FOR SHORT WAVE RECEPTION, REPORT CONCERNS 16 AND 80 METER BANDS TO ONLY LIMITED DEGREE, BECAUSE POLISH RADIO RECEIVERS DO NOT INCLUDE THESE TWO BANDS. THESE BANDS CAN BE USED ONLY BY THE RARE OWNERS OF FOREIGN RECEIVERS. TRANSISTOR RADIO RECEIVERS OF JAPANESE CONSTRUCTION ARE VERY EXPENSIVE (4,500
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ZLOTY IN STATE SHOPS) AND EQUALLY RARE ARE WEST GERMAN TRANSISTOR RADIOS WHICH HAVE BEEN ACQUIRED ON A TRIP AOEER.

3. SPECIFIC AREAS.

A) POZNAN AND POZNAN VOIVODSHIP.
MEDIUM WAVE: RECEPTION IMPOSSIBLE; JAMMED BY A LOCAL

TRANSMITTER CARRYING RADIO WARSAW II PROGRAM (NOTWITHSTANDING
NEIGHBORING RADIO POZNAN PROGRAM ON 407 .3534).

13M: POSSIBLE RECEPTION, ESPECIALLY AT MID DAY.

16M: VERY RARELY JAMMED, GENERALLY GOOD RECEPTION UNTIL
MIDNIGHT

19 AND 25 M: GOOD RECEIPTON ONLY AFTER 2200 HRS.

31 M: "SO-SO" RECEPTION IN THE MORNING AND IN THE EARLY
EVENING, SOMETIMES EVEN AFTER 2000 HRS. ALTHOUGH THE
FREQUENCY IS JAMMED, SINGAL IS STRONGER AS A RULE HERE.

41 AND 49 M: STRONG JAMMING, POOR RECEPTION.

B) WROCLAW.

MEDIUM WAVE: SOME INTERFERENCE STILL FROM THE PZNAN
TRANSMITTER, BUT IN GENERAL GOOD RECEPTION IS GOOD AFTER 2130 HRS.

80 M: NOT ABLE TO HEAR IT

49 M: BETS RECPTION IN THE 31 - 49 RANGE, LEAST JAMMED

41 M: THE WORSE OF ALL BANDS IN WROCLAW

25 M: EAST TO TUN IN

19 M: SIMILAR TO 25 M, MAINLY FREE FROM JAMMING

AFTER 2200 HRS

16 M: BEST RECEPTION OF ALL BANDS -- ALL DAY

13 M: VARIED RECEPTION, GENERALLY FAIRLY GOOD IN THE AFTERNOON.

C) LEGNICA AND JELENIA GORA.

RECEPTION BETTER THAN IN WROCLAW IN ALL FREQUENCIES
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D) WALBRZYCH AND SWIDNICA.

SIMILAR TO LEGNICA.

E) OPOLE.

LESS GOOD RECEPTION THAN WROCLAW.

F) KATOWICE.

ALERT* THE WORST RECPTION IN ENTIRE POLAND, FREQUENTLY
IMPOSSIBLE* THERE ARE JAMMING STATIONS IN UPPER SILESIA.

G) BIELSKO-BIALA AND RACIBORZ.

SITUATION SIMILAR TO THAT OF KATOWICE

H) KRAKOW.

I HAVE BEEN TOLD BY FRIENDS THAT KRAKOW IS WITHIN RANGE OF
THE KATOWICE JAMMIN IN MEDIUM FREQNEUCY, AND RECEPTION IS

GOOD ONLY ON 16 METERS AND AT VARIOUS TIMES OF DAY ON
19 METERS.

I) KIELCE AND REGION (RADOM, OSTROWIEC).

THE SITUATION ON MEDIUM WAVE IS SOMEWHAT BETTER THAN IN
KATOWICE AND KRAKOW.

J) WARSAW.

16 M: EXCELLENT RECEPTION AROUND THE CLOCK

13 M: SOMEWHAT WORSE, BUT STILL GOOD

19 M: POSSIBLE ALL DAY, THOUGH JAMMED, GOOD AFTER 2200 HRS.
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25 M: RECEPTION POSSIBLE AFTER 2200 HRS, RARELY IN DAYTIME

31 M: JAMMED ALTHOUGH AUDIBLE IN THE MORNING AND BETWEEN
1700 AND 1900 HRS.

41 M: THE BEST OF THE THREE (31, 41 AND 49)

49 M: VERY STRONGLY JAMMED, RECEPTION DIFFICULT

MEDIUM WAVE 417 M: RECEPTION IMPOSSIBLE. FOR THE LAST
TWO YEARS THE WARSAW II TRANSMITTER HAS BEEN JAMMING THIS
FREQUENCY.

K) ZAGAN, ZIELONA GORA AND GORZOW WIELKOPOLSKI.

MEDIUM WAVE: SOMEWHAT JAMMED BY THE POZNAN TRASMITTER

16 M: NOT JAMMED

19 M: JAMMED ALL DAY

25 M: RECEPTION POSSIBLE IN THE MRONING AND LATE EVENING

31 M: FREQUENTLY QUITE GOOD RECEPTION

41 AND 49 M: STRONGLY JAMMED

L) SZCZECIN AND SWINOUJSCIE.

MEDIUM WAVE: THE POZNAN TRANSMITTER CAN BE HEARD BUT DOES
NOT BOTHER AUDIBILITY TOO MUCH

SHORT WAVES: SIMILAR TO ZIELONA GORA.BETTS

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